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# Riverfront Groundwater Contamination Site PRP Information Summary

**Current Entity:** 

City of New Haven

#### Other Related Entities:

### Brief description of waste streams involved and source of information:

• No city trucks were ever used to haul trash to dump from Hawthorn Finishing (Fritz Steinbeck, interview, 4/24/00)

Date Information Request Response received: June 15, 2000

## Highlights of Information Request Response:

• Between 1966 and 1973, City issued bonds to finance construction of manufacturing facilities on Industrial Drive by Kellwood. For each bond issue, City executed a Lease/Agreement with Kellwood that set forth rights and obligations of both parties with respect to facilities and use/repayment of bond

-City claims its rights were in nature of a lender, holding indicia of ownership to protect its security; City claims it did not participate in any way in the management of the facilities and did not exercise any rights it might have had to control the facilities' operations

#### Cottonwood

- The following entities were located at Cottonwood (based on natural gas account):
  - NHMC (10/2/68 12/75)
  - Kellwood (12/75 5/25/82)
  - Riverfront Industries (1/4/84 4/4/88)
  - Transportation Specialists, Inc. (5/31/89 7/13/95)
  - Wiser's Enterprises (3/18/96 present)
- City states that NHMC was not initially related to Kellwood, but later Kellwood acquired NHMC
- Solvents used to clean machines were believed to have been spilled regularly at Cottonwood. Five-gallon buckets of solvents were regularly dumped out the garage door of the facility. City also believes numerous employees of facility would take home drums of used solvents. City states that solvents were placed on trucks at Cottonwood, but City not aware of where trucks took solvents

#### Orchard Street

• City believes solvents were used at Orchard Street; solvents include toluene, methyl ethyl ketone, plasticizers, dyes, <u>City has reason to believe solvents</u> were disposed of by dumping on the ground at facility or in adjacent creek, or by taking it to City landfill

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#### Industrial Drive

- The following entities were located at Industrial Drive (based on natural gas account):
  - Kellwood (10/6/73 12/6/85)
  - Midwest Graphics Finishers (12/6/85 6/88) Pshley RIDS
  - Graphic Finishers of America (fka Midwest Graphics Finishers) (6/88 2/5/92)
  - David Ault (2/5/92 9/15/92) owns Ashles
  - Mares Coil Nuclear Cooling Inc. (fka Daivd Ault) (9/15/92 4/27/93)
  - Engineered Air Systems (7/1/93 10/2/98)
  - GenCorp (10/2/98 present)
- One of City's employees has heard rumors that "perc" was dumped on/near operations conducted on Industrial Drive; several barrels of such substances were found in Industrial Drive area

## City Landfill

- City not aware of any materials containing PCE or TCE sent to landfill; however, City believes waste solvents were hauled to landfill from Orchard Street by companies operating there (not clear whether those solvents contained PCE or TCE)
- City believes Elton Grannemann permitted dumping of waste on his property in 1954; City "may have" later acquired all or a portion of Landfill
  - -City does not believe any invoices or records wexist for landfill
  - -Landfill closed 8/1/74

## PRP's Registered Agent for Service of Process:

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